

# "A THIMBLEFUL OF SEED"

by

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Lois McAdam as Mrs. George; Margaret Whitford as Mrs. Wendell; Joan McCredie; Rick Ballantyne as Billy Hawk.

## SYNOPSIS OF SCENES

**ACT I** Scene 1—Father de Smet visits Rocky Mountain House in his search for the Blackfoot, to make peace between them and the Flathead Indians.

Scene 2—Continuing his search, he meets with an escaping murderer and is able to convince him of the need for confessing his crime in order to gain salvation.

Scene 3—John McDougall visits the home of Reverend Henry Steinhauer, native missionary, White Fish Lake.

Scene 4—On his way to Fort Garry for supplies, John McDougall stops at the Anglican mission of Reverend Henry George, near what is now the eastern border of Saskatchewan.

Scene 5—The McDougalls have started a mission school and their agricultural program has begun . . . Victoria Mission, 90 miles east of Fort Edmonton.

## INTERMISSION

**ACT II** Scene 1—The Anglican missionary, Reverend Newton, encounters disregard for property at Fort Edmonton.

Scene 2—Reverend Samuel Trivett, visiting Reverend J. W. Tims, to see the marriage of an Indian convert and his squaw, at Blackfoot Crossing, discovers there are still difficulties with the Indians.

Scene 3—Sandford Fleming, representing the soon-to-be-built railroad, discusses plans with several missionaries. The meeting experiences a dramatic interruption with the arrival of three Indians.

Scene 4—at the Catholic Mission of Notre Dame de la Paix, Father Constantine Scollen and Father Leon Doucet receive two prospectors, followed by a murderer.

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## ACT I, Scene 1

### ROCKY MOUNTAIN HOUSE

Jacques.....	Michael Burge
De Smet.....	James Smythe
J. E. Harriott.....	Jack Johnston
Tistighat.....	Lorraine Washnuk
Adam Shadow Catcher.....	Bert Cairns
Pilchimo.....	David Ferguson
Frances Xavier.....	Vic LaVica

## ACT I, Scene 2

### EN ROUTE

De Smet.....	James Smythe
Jacques.....	Michael Burge
Toto.....	Murray Younger
Francois LeBlanc.....	Dick Tregillus
Teresa.....	Jean Rogal
Children: Laurie Parker, Donna Cannell, John Cannell, Suzanne Smid, Marie Black.	

## ACT I, Scene 3

### HOME OF REV. HENRY STEINHAUER, WHITEFISH LAKE

Henry Steinhauer.....	Michael Rhodes
Billy Hawk.....	Rick Ballantyne
Adam Shadow Catcher.....	Bert Cairns
Abigail.....	Gail Whiteford
River Owl.....	Larry Owens
John McDougall.....	Fred Whitley
Indians: Hergen Tantzen, Dave Ferguson.	

## ACT I, Scene 4

### THE HOME OF REV. HENRY GEORGE NEAR E. BORDER OF SASKATCHEWAN

John McDougall.....	Fred Whitley
Mrs. Henry George.....	Lois McAdam
Rev. Henry George.....	Dick Tregillus
Mrs. Wendell.....	Margaret Whitford

## ACT I, Scene 5

### FT. VICTORIA MISSION SCHOOL

W. J. Christie.....	Harold Paterson
Ist Child.....	Cory McCredie
Teacher.....	Winnifred Gray
2nd Child.....	Grant Paterson
3rd Child.....	Suzanne Nix
Adam Shadow Catcher.....	Bert Cairns
Billy Hawk.....	Rick Ballantyne
Boy in rear.....	Peter Blair
1st Official.....	Ken Craig
2nd Official.....	Larry Owens
Manyfeathers.....	Vic LaVica
John McDougall.....	Fred Whitley
Mrs. McDougall.....	Joan Whiteley
1st Indian.....	Roy Bushell
2nd Indian.....	Dave Ferguson
Children: Susan Peirce, Chris Peirce, Margaret Dickson, Peter Dickson, Marion Houston, Jamey Podlubny, Andrew Bushell, Jamie Bushell, Leslie Bushell, Cheyne Bushell, Lee Hutton, Margaret Woodrow.	

INTERMISSION

## ACT II, Scene 1

### FORT EDMONTON

Jim Moore.....	Dick Tregillus
Joe Rudd.....	Dave Ferguson
Rev. Wm. Newton.....	Michael Rhodes
1st voice.....	Doug Thornton
Rogerson.....	Gerry McKenna
2nd voice.....	Bud Woodrow
3rd voice.....	Larry Owens
Adam Shadow Catcher.....	Bert Cairns
Billy Hawk.....	Rick Ballantyne
Trappers: Gerry Lamont, Vic LaVica, Ken Craig, Fred Whitley, Jack Johnston.	
Indians: Jerry Sharkey, Hergen Tantzen, Murray Younger, Roy Bushell, Joe Podlubny, Bill Anderson.	

## ACT II, Scene 2

### BLACKFOOT CROSSING

John William Tims.....	Allan McLeod
Samuel Trivett.....	Victor Harbridge
Papanikis.....	Murray Younger
Fleetfoot.....	Jerry Sharkey
His Wife.....	Joan McCredie
Children: Cathie McCredie, Graham McCredie, Beth McCredie, Mark McCredie.	
Indians: Bill Anderson, Hergen Tantzen, Pamela McKenna, Joe Podlubny.	

## ACT II, Scene 3

### THE HOME OF MR. AND MRS. CHRISTIE, HUDSON'S BAY FACTOR

Sandford Fleming.....	Gerry McKenna
W. J. Christie.....	Harold Paterson
Rev. Thomas Woolsey.....	Bud Woodrow
Father Lacombe.....	Douglas Thornton
Bishop W. C. Pinkham.....	Sidney Robbins
Maskepetoon.....	Rick Ballantyne
Mrs. Christie.....	Jean Rogal
Maskepetoon's Father.....	Joe Podlubny
Blackfoot Indian.....	Larry Owens

## ACT II, Scene 4

### CATHOLIC MISSION, NOTRE DAME DE LA PAIX

Father Constantine Scollen.....	Gerry Lamont
Father Leon Doucet.....	Vic LaVica
Jean L'Heureux.....	Murray Younger
Alexis Cardinal.....	Jerry Sharkey
Adam Shadow Catcher.....	Bert Cairns
Billy Hawk.....	Rick Ballantyne
Pokey Brown.....	Ken Craig
Kicker Kirby.....	Jack Johnston
Blackfoot Indian.....	Larry Owens